

STATE OF COLORADO
ABSTRACT OF VOTES CAST

at the

PRIMARY ELECTION

Held on the 10th day of September A.D., 1974

and at the

GENERAL ELECTION

Held on the 5th day of November A.D., 1974

FOR

United States Senator, United States Congressmen,
State, Legislative and District Officers

AND

Proposed Constitutional Amendments

ALSO

Directory of the United States, State, Legislative,
District and County Officials

AND

General Information Pertinent to
Elections and Elected Officials



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**DISTRICT ATTORNEY, COUNTIES OF CLEAR CREEK,
GILPIN AND JEFFERSON**

First Judicial District	Nolan L. Brown		E.J. Candell	
	-Rep.		-Dem.	
Counties	Primary Election	General Election	Primary Election	General Election
Clear Creek	228	1,091	288	858
Gilpin	86	394	123	405
Jefferson	14,943	57,474	12,792	41,094
Total	15,257	58,959	13,203	42,357

DISTRICT ATTORNEY, COUNTIES OF GRAND, MOFFAT AND ROUTT

Fourteenth Judicial District	Carroll E. Multz		Stanley J. Walter	
	-Rep.		-Dem.	
Counties	Primary Election	General Election	Primary Election	General Election
Grand	639	1,437	226	673
Moffat	498	2,102	383	823
Routt	742	2,389	806	1,286
Total	1,879	5,928	1,415	2,782

DISTRICT ATTORNEY, COUNTIES OF DOLORES AND MONTEZUMA

Twenty-Second Judicial District	George R. Buck		
	-Rep.		
Counties		Primary Election	General Election
Dolores		47	411
Montezuma		510	2,965
Total		557	3,376

GENERAL INFORMATION PERTINENT TO ELECTIONS AND ELECTED OFFICIALS

Presidential Electors

There are seven presidential electors in Colorado, one each for the five congressmen and one each for the two United States Senators. The presidential electors are selected by a majority vote of the delegates to the respective party state conventions, specifically, at the convention that is held during the presidential election year. Once the presidential electors are selected by the delegates of the state convention, their actual duties do not commence until after the general election, at which time it is determined by the vote of the electors of the state what political party will be represented at the meeting of the presidential electors. In other words, regardless of what the result may be nationally, those electors required to meet are the electors representing the party whose candidates polled the highest vote in the state for president and vice president. The presidential electors convene at the Capitol of the State in the office of the Governor on the first Monday, after the second Wednesday in December, following the election, at twelve noon, and proceed to take the oath required by law for presidential electors; then, once having taken the oath, cast their official ballot for president and vice president for the candidates of their party. The law in Colorado requires that each presidential elector shall vote for the pair of presidential and vice presidential candidates who received the highest number of votes in the preceding general election in Colorado. Having then cast their votes for the candidates, the duties of the presidential electors have been performed.

Initiative Process for Proposed Constitutional Amendments

Under the Initiative and Referendum Statute in Colorado there are provisions for electors of the State of Colorado to draft and submit to the people of Colorado proposed constitutional changes. There are a number of statutory requirements that must be followed in order for these electors to submit petitions for proposed constitutional amendments to the electors of Colorado for signatures. The following information is of a general nature and should be of help to those electors who might be considering the possibility of amending the State Constitution through the Initiative.

The original drafts of all initiative petitions for proposed laws or amendments to the state constitution to be enacted by the people, before they are signed by the electors or any of them, shall be submitted by the proponents of the petition to the attorney general for his review and comment. Upon the request of the attorney general, any agency in the executive department and the legislative council and legislative drafting office in the legislative department shall render assistance to the attorney general in reviewing and preparing comments on the petition. No later than three weeks after the date of submission, at a conference scheduled by the attorney general, the attorney general shall render to the proponents of the petition his comments on any problems he has encountered concerning the format or contents of the petition. Such comments shall not be disclosed by the attorney general prior to the conference with the proponents of the petition, but at such time as the title, submission

clause, and ballot title are approved. The comments shall become public documents. After the conference but before such approval, the proponents may amend the petition in response to some or all of the comments of the attorney general and resubmit the petition at a later date, or they may disregard the comments entirely.

After the conference with the attorney general, the original or amended drafts, as the case may be, shall be submitted with a copy thereof to the secretary of state without any title, submission clause, or ballot title providing the designation by which the voters shall express their choice for or against said proposed law or constitutional amendment. Within three days after such submission, the secretary of state shall call to his assistance the attorney general and the director of the legislative drafting office, the three of whom, a majority controlling, shall designate and fix a proper fair title for said proposed law or constitutional amendment within five days thereafter, together with its ballot title and submission clause, which shall correctly and fairly express the true intent and meaning of the proposed law or constitutional amendment, and immediately thereafter the secretary of state shall deliver the same with the original to the parties presenting it, keeping the copy with a record of the action taken thereon. Ballot titles shall be brief and shall not conflict with those selected for any petition previously filed for the same election.

If any persons presenting such initiative petition are not satisfied with the titles and submission clause thus provided and claim that they are unfair or that they do not fairly express the true meaning and intent of the proposed law or constitutional amendment, within forty-eight hours after its return, they may file a motion with the secretary of state for a rehearing, which shall be passed upon by said board within forty-eight hours thereafter, and, if overruled, upon their request, a certified copy of said petition with the titles and submission clause of such proposed law or constitutional amendment, together with a certified copy of such motion for rehearing and of the ruling thereon, shall be furnished them by the secretary of state and, if filed with the clerk of the supreme court within five days thereafter, shall be docketed as a cause there pending, which shall be placed at the head of the calendar and disposed of summarily, either affirming the action of said board or reversing it, in which latter case the court shall remand it with instructions, pointing out wherein said board is in error. No petition for proposed constitutional amendments shall be of any force or effect unless filed with the secretary of state within six months from the date that the titles have been fixed **AND UNLESS FILED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE AT LEAST FOUR MONTHS BEFORE THE ELECTION AT WHICH IT IS TO BE VOTED UPON.** The number of signatures required for a proposed amendment is determined by a formula set by statute, this statute requires that there shall be signatures equivalent to 8 per cent of the total votes cast for all candidates for the office of the secretary of state at the preceding general election. (This would mean that in the general election of 1976, if anyone wished to submit petitions for a proposed constitutional amendment, 63,040 signatures would be required.) The signers of the petitions for the proposed constitutional amendments must be qualified electors of the State of Colorado. This means that the individual does not have to be registered to vote but must be qualified to register to vote, such qualifications being: at least eighteen years of age, a citizen of the United States, and have resided in the state and precinct

thirty-two days. The particular forms on which the petitions must be printed are provided for by statute and information concerning how the petition should be printed, what information must be contained, what size print on the petition, and other detailed information may be obtained from the office of the secretary of state.

Elected Officials

The terms of the elected officials of the state vary according to the provisions set forth in the constitution and the statutes; for example, a state representative's term of office is two years and a state senator's term is four years; the district judges throughout the state are selected for a six-year term and the district attorneys are elected for four years; all of the executive officers of the state, such as the governor, the lieutenant governor, secretary of state, attorney general, and state treasurer are elected for four-year terms. The qualifications for the various elected officers throughout the state are also set forth in the constitution and in the statutes. In the past, the holders of elective office in Colorado have been predominantly men but in the later years there have been a number of women serving in various elective offices from the county level to the state legislature. At the present moment, there are women serving in both the State Senate and the State House of Representatives, as well as the Secretary of State. In the Colorado State Legislature, all of the members of the House of Representatives are elected every two years; in the State Senate, half of the members are elected in a general election year and the other half at the next ensuing general election. The legislature in Colorado meets every year and convenes on the first Wednesday following the first Tuesday in January. During the even numbered years, the legislature considers only financial matters and those matters which are referred to the legislature by the governor; in the odd numbered years, the legislature considers all types of legislation and this session is called the "long session."

VOTER REGISTRATION IN COLORADO
FOR GENERAL ELECTION

November 5, 1974

	Republicans	Democrats	Unaffiliated	Total
Adams	17,179	35,516	34,346	87,041
Alamosa	1,586	2,230	1,710	5,526
Arapahoe	30,666	23,555	46,420	100,641
Archuleta	427	789	295	1,511
Baca	962	1,004	669	2,635
Bent	762	1,421	897	3,080
Boulder	23,743	28,676	41,576	93,995
Chaffee	1,331	2,459	1,590	5,380
Cheyenne	670	506	370	1,546
Clear Creek	904	1,094	1,352	3,350
Conejos	1,762	1,480	582	3,824
Costilla	198	1,820	202	2,220
Crowley	649	870	417	1,936
Custer	381	298	256	935
Delta	3,479	2,624	2,867	8,970
Denver	73,757	140,447	77,045	291,249
Dolores	196	542	160	898
Douglas	2,594	1,577	2,772	6,943
Eagle	1,258	1,640	1,588	4,486
Elbert	915	708	824	2,447
El Paso	31,207	25,187	37,763	94,157
Fremont	4,183	4,601	3,225	12,009
Garfield	2,873	2,976	3,121	8,970
Gilpin	334	609	366	1,309
Grand	1,599	770	834	3,203
Gunnison	1,359	1,693	2,110	5,162
Hinsdale	214	40	49	303
Huerfano	499	2,549	865	3,913
Jackson	344	245	371	960
Jefferson	46,051	40,358	63,021	149,430
Kiowa	639	424	424	1,487
Kit Carson	1,887	1,160	870	3,917
Lake	595	2,319	971	3,885
La Plata	3,574	3,909	4,133	11,616
Larimer	19,460	16,362	19,322	55,144
Las Animas	1,376	6,394	1,276	9,046
Lincoln	1,311	1,025	497	2,833
Logan	3,225	2,788	3,108	9,121
Mesa	9,268	10,521	8,093	27,882
Mineral	77	315	161	553
Moffat	1,267	1,270	1,313	3,850
Montezuma	1,815	2,600	1,578	5,993
Montrose	2,738	3,052	3,546	9,336
Morgan	3,824	2,887	3,081	9,792
Otero	3,395	4,109	3,248	10,752
Ouray	424	294	388	1,106
Park	796	529	629	1,954
Phillips	1,032	828	910	2,770
Pitkin	1,294	2,462	2,968	6,724
Prowers	1,795	2,156	2,234	6,185
Pueblo	8,965	30,636	16,306	55,907
Rio Blanco	976	962	639	2,577
Rio Grande	1,871	1,538	1,320	4,729
Routt	1,640	2,366	1,815	5,821
Saguache	766	922	711	2,399
San Juan	127	212	205	544
San Miguel	382	850	638	1,870
Sedgwick	732	548	619	1,899
Summit	827	798	1,479	3,104
Teller	944	1,156	883	2,983
Washington	1,510	779	805	3,094
Weld	12,624	12,542	20,293	45,459
Yuma	1,918	1,538	1,675	5,131
Total	345,156	448,535	433,801	1,227,492
Total Votes Cast				828,963

VOTER REGISTRATION IN COLORADO
FOR PRIMARY ELECTION

September 10, 1974

	Republicans	Democrats	Unaffiliated	Total
Adams	16,115	31,512	31,630	79,257
Alamosa	1,476	2,111	1,631	5,218
Arapahoe	29,094	21,412	40,098	90,604
Archuleta	404	709	262	1,375
Baca	911	923	695	2,529
Bent	716	1,301	890	2,907
Boulder	21,240	22,451	40,589	84,280
Chaffee	1,276	2,078	1,860	5,214
Cheyenne	649	480	375	1,504
Clear Creek	838	941	1,274	3,053
Conejos	1,656	1,464	514	3,634
Costilla	200	1,552	418	2,170
Crowley	613	835	444	1,892
Custer	376	268	237	881
Delta	2,906	2,232	3,201	8,339
Denver	69,317	127,243	76,205	272,765
Dolores	179	475	240	894
Douglas	2,277	1,291	2,620	6,188
Eagle	1,165	1,478	1,639	4,282
Elbert	856	632	815	2,303
El Paso	28,644	21,773	38,269	88,686
Fremont	3,910	4,014	3,380	11,304
Garfield	2,629	2,384	3,203	8,216
Gilpin	305	561	287	1,153
Grand	1,445	676	800	2,921
Gunnison	1,242	1,460	1,636	4,338
Hinsdale	207	34	38	279
Huerfano	497	2,493	862	3,852
Jackson	332	224	360	916
Jefferson	41,522	33,246	60,831	135,599
Kiowa	582	388	434	1,404
Kit Carson	1,735	1,073	981	3,789
Lake	560	2,043	943	3,546
La Plata	3,445	3,683	3,604	10,732
Larimer	17,879	13,935	18,652	50,466
Las Animas	1,303	6,041	1,332	8,676
Lincoln	1,157	981	630	2,768
Logan	2,989	2,538	3,166	8,693
Mesa	8,733	9,689	7,517	25,939
Mineral	71	258	196	525
Moffat	1,103	1,063	937	3,103
Montezuma	1,719	2,448	1,449	5,616
Montrose	2,613	2,780	3,510	8,903
Morgan	3,669	2,632	3,020	9,321
Otero	3,203	3,747	3,255	10,205
Ouray	408	271	376	1,055
Park	704	458	643	1,805
Phillips	985	772	856	2,613
Pitkin	1,187	2,089	2,430	5,706
Prowers	1,706	1,995	2,232	5,933
Pueblo	8,594	28,692	15,323	52,609
Rio Blanco	942	908	518	2,368
Rio Grande	1,825	1,508	1,263	4,596
Routt	1,475	2,069	1,795	5,339
Saguache	770	707	644	2,121
San Juan	120	194	201	515
San Miguel	330	735	536	1,601
Sedgwick	690	490	583	1,763
Summit	700	667	1,224	2,591
Teller	819	953	934	2,706
Washington	1,370	747	913	3,030
Weld	12,348	11,902	18,596	42,846
Yuma	1,483	1,863	1,544	4,890
Total	320,214	398,572	415,540	1,134,326

